

RESOLUTION PC 2022-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE IMPERIAL PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDING CITY COUCIL TO ADOPT THE SIXTH HOUSING ELEMENT CYCLE 2021-2029

WHEREAS, State law requires cities and counties to prepare and adopt a General Plan to guide the future development of a city or county which must contain certain elements, including a Housing Element which must be periodically updated and sets forth goals, policies, and programs to encourage the development of housing for all income groups and persons with special needs; and

WHEREAS, a duly noticed public hearing was held by the Planning Commission and City Council on February 2, 2022 to further provide citizens an opportunity to comment on the Draft Housing Element, for the purpose of informing all interested parties of the proposed changes and revisions; and

WHEREAS, The City of Imperial has initiated a comprehensive update of the Imperial Housing Element and extended opportunities for citizens to participate in the development of the document; and

WHEREAS, The City has submitted its draft Housing Element document to the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and has made changes and updates in response to HCD's questions and comments; and

WHEREAS, the City further conducted an environmental study on the proposed Housing Element update per the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act and said study concluded that the proposal would have no significant environmental effect on the environment; and

WHEREAS, upon hearing and considering all testimony and arguments, analyzing the information submitted by staff, and considering any written comment received, the Planning Commission considered all facts relating to the 2019 Draft update of the 2014-2021 Housing Element; and

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Imperial Planning Commission determines as follows:

- A) That the foregoing recitations are true and correct; and
- B) That based on the evidence presented at the public hearing, the Planning Commission hereby recommends City Council to Adopt the sixth Housing Element cycle 2021-2029, hereby incorporated as Attachment A.; and
- C) The project's environmental impacts under the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code §§ 21000, et seq., "CEQA") and the regulations promulgated thereunder (14 California Code of Regulations §§ 15000, et seq., the "CEQA Guidelines"). The proposed Housing Element will not have the effect of substantially changing

regulatory standards or findings required therefore in accordance with CEQA, the proposed ordinance is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15061(b) (3) because the activity is governed by the common-sense rule that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Any changes to the City municipal code as required by the proposed Housing Element will be reviewed for environmental impacts at such time as the ordinance is brought forward for the City's consideration”.

- D) The proposed element updates are consistent with the objectives of the Imperial General Plan.

The City Attorney is authorized to make minor typographical changes to this Resolution that does not change the substance of this Resolution;

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Planning Commission of the City of Imperial, this 2nd day of February 2022.

Mark Hammerness, Chairman

ATTEST:

City Clerk